

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 07/16/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 3, 6, 7, 9 and 12 (renumber as 1-6).
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application |
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| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |


SHAHID ALAM
PRIMARY EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office Action is response to Applicants' AMENDMENT filed on 07/16/2007.
2. Claims 2, 4-5, 8, 10-11 and 13-18 were cancelled.
3. Claims 1, 3, 6, 7, 9 and 12 are allowed.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. The present application has been thoroughly reviewed. Upon searching a variety of databases, the examiner respectfully submits that claims 1, 3, 6, 7, 9 and 12 are allowed in light of the applicants' argument and in light of the prior arts of made record.
5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The claimed invention is directed to the method and system for presenting information through a user interface, implementing memory prostheses and context-oriented changes in meanings of shortcuts.

The closest prior art, US Patent No.: US 5,787,234 issued to Molly teaches solving problem from help desk to clients or users having problems by using the case window for TOP OF MIND software. The window screen (context aware) is receiving the input from user/client via user interface and presenting the result (matching the query condition or criteria) based on the entered query or request (shortcut: entering queries on the window screen: entries) from the user or client. the window screen having initializing value with "PROBLEM"; user selects (as entering entry) the type of object having problem and its type, model problems in order to let help desk to solve or give the solution to fix it; the window screen has some definition fields for entries and user or

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client selects the problem, diagnosis, action... via a picklist (item 57) of each of field name displayed in the left window screen: a dialog pull down menu; displaying the result from the entered entries from user, who is able to enter or select new type of problem via a picklist and the window screen is used for any problems in the picklist for each type of problem defined on the field name of component. But Molly fails to teach a context has an initial context value. The context is one or more situational parameters that dictate the semantics of a shortcut; wherein selecting a context further comprises receiving a context from the client device, the context entered by a user through the user interface; receiving a shortcut entered through the user interface, the shortcut having associated with it a shortcut field name set comprising one or more shortcut field names; wherein a shortcut is an abbreviated form of user input; inferring from a context definition table, in dependence upon the context, a context table name and a context field name; selecting information records from an information database in dependence upon the context, the context table name, the shortcut field names, and the context field name, the selecting further comprising creating a query, the query including the context table name as a table for the query, the shortcut field names as field names for the query, and the context and the context field name in a condition for the query; and assigning, in response to user input through the user interface, a new context value to the context; and the steps of assigning a new context value to the context, inferring a context table name and a context field name, selecting records, and downloading selected records.

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6. These distinct features, in conjunction with all other limitations of the dependents and independent claims render claims 1, 3, 6, 7, 9 and 12 them allowable.


7. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."


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Contact Information

8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anh Ly whose telephone number is (571) 272-4039 or via E-Mail: ANH.LY@USPTO.GOV (**Written Authorization being given by Applicant (MPEP 502.03 [R-2]) or fax to (571) 273-4039 (Examiner's personal Fax No.)**). The examiner can normally be reached on TUESDAY – THURSDAY from 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **John Breene**, can be reached on (571) 272-4107.

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